

# PARENT INFORMATION

*How can you support your student with their concurrent enrollment experience?*

CU Succeed is an excellent way for students (who are academically ready!) to begin working on college courses while in high school. Although the courses are taught on the high school campus, the expectations for these college courses is different. College coursework requires a higher degree of determination, focus, and personal responsibility.

## What is FERPA?

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act protects all students, regardless of their age. If your student participates in CU Succeed, they are the only person who is legally allowed to access their academic record. Even if your student is a minor, CU Succeed staff can't disclose information to anyone other than the student.

## The Application Process

Sometimes it's easier to do the "paperwork" for your student, but in the case of CU Succeed, we ask that you let them complete registration on their own. You may work through the process together, but the registration process is a way to get students to understand how the college process works, and how very different it is from high school. If students cannot handle this process on their own, they may not be able to handle the rigor and responsibilities of the course itself.

## Your Student's Independence = Their Success in College

If your student believes they are ready for the rigor of a college course, they're ready for the responsibility that comes along with it. You've taught your student well! Trust your parenting skills and allow them to learn as much as they can during this experience!

## Allow Your Student to Self-Advocate

If your student has an issue, encourage them to speak with their instructor on their own. If they cannot solve their issue with their instructor, have them reach out to their counselor. Guiding students through the proper channels will help them understand their own accountability for their own work.

## Some Tough Love

This is new territory for your student and you shouldn't expect the same level of academic excellence they may show in high school. It's okay! College is full of learning opportunities, and making mistakes in the high school classroom will teach them valuable skills to take with them on their future academic adventures. Don't expect your student to be exempt from consequences, but do encourage them to perform at their highest ability.



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*How can you use your CU  
Succeed experience to prepare  
for college?*

# STUDENT INFORMATION

CU Succeed is an excellent way for students to prepare for future success. College coursework will be more difficult than what you've experienced in your high school. Success in these college courses requires attentiveness, intellectual curiosity, grit and determination.

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## Remember Your Student ID Number!

Your nine-digit University of Colorado Denver student ID number is what you will be identified by in our system. Looking up your record, ordering transcripts, and paying tuition all require you to know your student ID number.

## Develop Good Habits

Being a college student requires you to have good study habits and time management skills. Schedule study time and extracurricular activities to ensure you have the time you need to complete your work. Read your assignments ahead of time and come to class prepared to discuss the material.

## Pick Courses That Are Right For You

Signing up for CU Succeed is entirely OPTIONAL. If you choose to participate, make sure that the courses you register for fit into your future education plans. Many CU Succeed courses fulfill general education requirements that can be used for any degree program. Other courses are elective credits that are degree-specific. Talk to your high school counselor if this confuses you.

## Be Successful

We want you to be successful in your CU Succeed classes, but you have to put in the work and pay attention to deadlines. Ask questions of your instructor or counselor if you're confused. That's what they're there for! Don't wait until the problem is too big. Don't expect your teacher or counselor to do the work for you; if you need to drop or withdraw from a class, or if you have registration issues, it's up to YOU to take the necessary steps with the University of Colorado Denver (not JUST your high school.)

## This Is About You!

Taking a CU Succeed course is exciting and challenging; though your teachers and parents may be involved in your academic success, this is about you! Find your voice, ask questions, and self-advocate.

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